# The Fall of Rome

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### Political and Social Problems

#### Fewer Romans honored the old ideals of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and honesty.

#### Last Severan ruler died in A.D. \_\_\_\_\_. After that Rome had \_\_\_ different emperors.

#### \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ people stopped paying \_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### Wealthy Romans supported slavery, because it was a cheap way to get work done.

### Economic and Military Problems

#### Economy worsened, people \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ fewer \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### Plague spread and took its toll in the empire. What is a plague? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

#### The plague killed \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_ people in the empire.

#### Rome suffered from inflation, or rapidly increasing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### Inflation happens when \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ loses \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### Fewer taxes were paid, after the inflation.

#### With less money the Roman government could not defend the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### When the people of Rome learned that the coins did not have as much \_\_\_\_\_\_ in them, they began to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, or exchange goods without using money.

### What were Diocletian’s Reforms?

#### Diocletian became emperor in A.D. \_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### When he started he introduced some \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, or political changes to make things better.

#### Diocletian divided the empire into \_\_\_\_\_ parts.

#### Diocletian set prices of goods and wages of workers, to help boost the economy.

#### One of his orders was for workers to stay in the same job until they \_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### Eventually Diocletian’s reforms \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

### Who was Constantine?

#### In A.D. \_\_\_\_\_\_ Diocletian \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from office.

#### \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ became the new emperor in A.D. 312.

#### To aid economy, Constantine issued several orders

##### Sons of workers had to follow their fathers trade.

##### Sons of farmers had to work their fathers land.

##### Sons of soldiers had to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### Constantine moved the capital from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the Greek city of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### Byzantium became known as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### Today Constantinople is called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

## Rome Falls

##### Both \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ failed to save the Roman Empire

* Constantine dies in A.D. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, fighting breaks out after his death.
* A new emperor \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ gains control and ends the fighting.
* After Theodosius’s death, the Roman empire \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ into \_\_\_\_\_\_ separate empires.
* Western Roman Empire, capital in Rome. Eastern Roman Empire, capital Constantinople.

### Rome is Invaded

#### \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ tribes invade at Rome’s borders.

#### Germanic groups included: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Franks, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Angles, and Saxons.

#### Germanic groups were in search of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and better grazing land for their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### In late A.D. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, the Huns entered Eastern Europe and defeated the Ostrogoths.

#### Visigoths, Fearing they were next. Asked the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Roman emperor for protection.

#### Romans kidnapped and enslaved many \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### Visigoths \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ against the Romans

#### In A.D. \_\_\_\_\_ they defeated Roman legions at the Battle of Adrianople.

#### After that defeat, Rome was forced to surrender land to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### In A.D. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the Visigoth leader \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and his soldiers captured Rome.

#### First time Rome had been conquered in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years.

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#### By mid A.D. 400s, several \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ leaders help high posts in Rome’s government and army.

#### In A.D. 476 a Germanic general name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ took control, overthrowing the western emperor, Romulus Augustulus.

#### The overthrow marks the end of the Western Roman Empire

#### Odoacer controlled Rome for \_\_\_\_\_ years.

#### By A.D. \_\_\_\_\_\_, the Western Roman Empire had faded away.

## The Legacy of Rome

### Roman Ideas and Government Today

#### Belief that all people are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ under the law.

#### Like the early Romans, Americans believe that a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ made up of equal citizens is the best form of government.

### Roman Influence on Culture

#### Latin language is used throughout the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ world.

#### Latin shaped the languages of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Spain, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and Romania.

#### Many English words come from Latin.

#### Scientist, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ still use Latin phrases.

#### All Plant species and animals has a Latin name.

#### \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is still used today for most construction.

### Christianity

#### \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is one of the major religions in the world today.

#### Christianity began in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Empire.

#### After Rome’s fall, many Roman ideas blended with those of Christianity.